MERCK & CO INC Form 8-K January 10, 2003

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) January 9, 2003

MERCK & CO., Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

New Jersey

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-3305 22-1109110

(Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer

One Merck Drive, PO Box 100, Whitehouse Station, NJ 08889-0100

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

Identification No.)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (908)423-1000

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Item 5. Other Events

Incorporated by reference is a press release issued by the Registrant on January 9, 2003, attached as Exhibit 99, regarding the Registrant s announcement that it plans to launch a tender offer to purchase the remaining 49 percent of the common shares of Banyu Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. that it does not already own.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit 99 Press release issued January 9, 2003 Filed with this document

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

MERCK & CO., INC.

Date: January 10, 2003 By: /s/ Debra A. Bollwage

DEBRA A. BOLLWAGE Assistant Secretary

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99	Press release issued January 9, 2003